Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend <u>Page 8</u> of the Specification by amending the first paragraph on <u>Page 8</u> in lines 1 to 3 to read as follows:

The encoder can be, for example, a multi-pole encoder (DE 203 12 808 U1) or an optoelectronic encoder. In this regard, reference is made to the general state of encoder technology.